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April 28, 2015

Reestablish Reward Offer in Murder of lyshun Dione Tornero Bennett

On Tuesday, April 16, 2013, 23-year old lyshun Dione Tornero Bennett was with friends and family attending a birthday barbecue party. At approximately 11:52 p.m. on 1734 West 151st Street in Compton, an unknown assailant (or assailants) began shooting at partygoers. lyshun, along with a 15-year old male and 39-year old male, were struck by gunfire while standing in the front yard of the residence. Witnesses at the party observed that the gun shots emanated from an area located west of the party. lyshun was transported to Harbor-UCLA Medical Center where he succumbed to his injuries during surgery. The two remaining victims suffered non-life threatening injuries. However, the 39-year old male victim sustained significant injuries to his intestines and faces a prolonged recovery period.

lyshun Bennett is described as a former star football player at Compton High School who was preparing to pursue a career as an x-ray technician. The shock and senselessness of this tragedy has left lyshun's family devastated.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) detectives believe that there are witnesses in the neighborhood that may have seen the suspect(s) leave the area. The

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Board of Supervisors reestablished the reward offer in this case on September 9, 2014, however, the reward offer expired on February 6, 2015. With the reestablishment of this reward offer, any individuals with information about this senseless crime are urged to contact LASD's Homicide Bureau or Crime Stoppers. Detectives believe that a reward offer would be helpful in solving this crime, thus bringing some sense of closure and justice to lyshun Bennett's family and friends.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Reestablish the offer of a reward in the amount of \$10,000 in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and/or conviction of the person(s) responsible for the death of 23-year old lyshun Bennett and the injuries sustained by a 15-year old male and 39-year old male, who were struck by gunfire on April 16, 2013, in Compton, California.

Contact: Detective Ralph Hernandez
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Homicide Bureau
(323) 890-5500

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Crime Stoppers
(800) 222-8477

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